



**NEWS RELEASE**  
**LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**EUGENE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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**ARRESTED:**

- David Ray Taylor, 55, Eugene
- AJ Scott Nelson, 22, Clackamas County
- Mercedes Crabtree, 18, Milwaukie

**VICTIM:**

- Celestino Gutierrez, age 22, Eugene

**DETAILS:**

On August 3, 2012, a car linked to a Siuslaw Valley Bank robbery, occurring the same day, in Mapleton was found abandoned in Mapleton.

Lane County Sheriff's Office followed up with an investigation and found it to belonged to Celestino Gutierrez, age 22, of Eugene, who had been reported missing on August 3, 2012.

Investigation led detectives from the Eugene Police Department and the Lane County Sheriff's Office to suspects David Ray Taylor, age 55, of Eugene, A.J. Scott Nelson, age 22, of Clackamas County, and Mercedes Crabtree, age 18, of Milwaukie.

Police arrested Taylor on Wednesday, August 8, 2012, in Eugene on a warrant from another county. He was taken into custody, without incident, by Eugene Police. A smaller, modified SWAT team was used to make the arrest more secure for all parties and Taylor was arrested without resistance.

AJ Scott Nelson and Mercedes Crabtree were both taken into custody on Thursday, August 9, 2012, at separate locations in the Portland area with the assistance of U.S. Marshals as a precaution. These arrests were also made without incident.

The investigation also led law enforcement to the discovery of Gutierrez's body in a remote area of Lane County. The investigation has linked the above suspects to the Siuslaw Bank robbery that occurred in Creswell on June 8, 2012.

No further information or interviews are available at this time.

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